

MINUTES  
MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY  
Regular Meeting  
Monday August 3, 2015  
Council Chamber, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: J. Goodwin, B. Chandy, R. Hall, G. Lewis, B. Pociask, K. Rawn, B. Ryan, V. Ward  
Members absent: P. Plante  
Alternates present: K. Holt  
Alternates absent: P. Aho, S. Westa  
Staff present: Jennifer Kaufman, Inland Wetlands Agent

Chairman Goodwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and appointed Holt to act in Plante's absence.

**Minutes:**

7-06-15 – Meeting Minutes- Hall MOVED, Ward seconded, to approve the 7-6-15 meeting minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Pociask who disqualified himself.

7-15-15 – Field Trip Minutes- Holt MOVED, Ward seconded, to approve the 7-15-15 meeting minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with Goodwin, Holt, Rawn and Ward in favor and all others disqualified.

7-20-15 – Special Meeting Minutes- Holt MOVED, Chandy seconded, to approve the 7-20-15 meeting minutes as corrected. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Pociask and Hall who disqualified themselves.

**Communications:**

The 7/15/15 Draft Conservation Commission Minutes and the 7/29/15 Wetlands Agent Monthly Business report were noted. Wetlands Agent Kaufman noted that on 7/31/15 she visited 77 Forest Road and reported that the owner moved the debris away from the wetlands. She added that in her opinion the installation of silt fence would cause more disturbance, so she advised the property owner to stabilize the area with a conservation mix.

**Old Business:**

**a. W1548 - C. & L. Niarhakos, 101 East Rd, Re-Subdivision Application**

Holt and Pociask disqualified themselves. After discussion, Rawn MOVED, Ward seconded, to deny an Inland Wetlands License pursuant to the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield (File #W1548) for a 3-Lot Subdivision on property owned by C. and L. Niarhakos and located at 101 East Road as shown on plans dated 3/30/2015 and revised through 6/21/2015 and as described in application submissions.

This action is based on a finding that the applicant has not provided sufficient information to allow the Agency to determine that the proposed activities will not have a significant adverse impact on the wetlands or watercourses and that this application is consistent with the Criteria for Decision outlined in Section 10.2 of the Mansfield Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations; the purposes and policies of the Regulations; and Sections 22a-36 to 22a-45, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes as required by Section 10.7 of the Regulations. Specifically, the applicant needs to verify the extent of the upgradient, northerly watershed to demonstrate that the storm water management basins and swales on the revised plan dated 6/21/2015 are adequately sized to manage the runoff so as not to adversely impact wetlands. MOTION TO DENY PASSED with Rawn, Hall, Lewis, Goodwin, Ward and Chandy in favor, Ryan abstaining and Holt and Pociask disqualified.

**b. W1553 – I. and E. Hanka, 225 Mulberry Rd, Above-Ground Pool**

Holt MOVED, Rawn seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License pursuant to the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to I. and E. Hanka/Sabrina Pools (File #W1553) for an installation of an above-ground pool on property owned by the applicants and located at 225 Mulberry Rd as shown on plans dated 6/15/2015, revised through 7/16/2015 and as described in application submissions.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated adverse impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned on the following provisions being met:

1. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls shall be in place prior to construction, maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized;
2. All material shall be stockpiled at least 50 feet from the edge of wetlands and surrounded by silt fence until it is either removed from the site or distributed at least 50 feet from the edge of wetlands; and
3. The pool shall be installed with a closed system filter that does not require any pool water to be discharged.

This approval is valid for five years (until August 3, 2020) unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Pociask who disqualified himself.

**c. W1554- Storrs Friends Meeting, 57 Hunting Lodge Rd, - Site Improvements**

Chandy MOVED, Holt seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License pursuant to the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to Storrs Friends Meeting (File #W1554) for Site Improvements on property owned by the applicants and located at 57 Hunting Lodge Rd as shown on plans dated 5/14/2015 and as described in application submissions.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated adverse impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned on the following provisions being met:

1. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls shall be in place prior to construction, maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized;
2. A barrier shall be installed on the eastern side of the landscaped bioretention area to prevent damage from vehicle parking; and
3. No material shall be stockpiled on the site.

This approval is valid for five years (until August 3, 2020) unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Pociask who disqualified himself.

**New Business:**

**a. W1555 – J. and K. Hawes, 241 Mulberry Rd, Above Ground Pool, Deck and Shed**

Ryan MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by J. and K. Hawes (IWA File #W1555) under the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for site improvements, installation of a shed and above-ground pool on property located at 241 Mulberry Road as shown on a map dated 7/27/2015 and as described in application submissions, and to refer said application to staff and the Conservation Commission for review and comments. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Reports from Officers and Committees:**

No reports were offered.

**Other Communications and Bills:**

Noted.

**Adjournment:**

Chairman Goodwin set a Field Trip for 8/12/15 at 3:45 p.m. and declared the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera S. Ward, Secretary